

Atty. Docket No. IDE61601

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: : PCT/JP98/05515  
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INAGAKI, Takeo et al :   
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Serial No.: 09/367,483 : Art Unit: 1712  
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Filed: August 12, 1999 : Examiner: Mark ZIMMER  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

April 30, 2001

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Examiner's Action of October 31, 2000, applicant requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1, line 5. Replace "region" with -- agent --.

Claim 7, line 9. Replace "region" with -- agent --.

Claim 10, line 3. Replace "region" with -- agent --.

Copy of the pages carrying claims 1, 7 and 10 noting the amendments is enclosed together with replacement pages carrying the corrected claims.